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BIOLOGICAL AND OTHER MATERIALS BY LUMINESCENCE METHODS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT

Applicants hereby submit this in response to the Office Action mailed August 1, 2002 ("Office Action").

A response to the Office Action was originally due November 16, 2002. Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time in which to submit a response or an amendment in response to the Office Action. The fee for a one-month extension of time is \$110.00 and a check in that amount is enclosed. Therefore, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is now December 16, 2002. Accordingly, this Amendment and Response is being timely filed.

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